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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - More than one figure is present and each figure is not labeled "Fig." with a consecutive Arabic numeral (1, 2, etc.) or an Arabic numeral and capital letter in the English alphabet (A, B, etc.)(see 37 CFR 1.84(u)(1)). See Figure(s) 3.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• Additional claim fees of \$216 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$1116 for a Large Entity

- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$216
 - \$216 for 12 total claims over 20.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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METHODS OF PRODUCING CARBON LAYERS ON TITANIUM METAL

Serial No.: 10/817,324 Filed: April 2, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: I hereby certify that this MISSING PARTS and the paper(s), as described herein, are being sent by Federal Express, addressed to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Rm 1803, Customer Window, M.S. Missing Parts, Arlington, VA 22202, on this day of _______, 2004.

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Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- X Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application
- X Request for One-Month Extension of Time
- X Signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- X FIVE SHEETS FORMAL DRAWINGS

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- X Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Part 2
- X Return Postcard
- X Please charge Missing Parts surcharge of \$130.00, the basic filing fee of \$770.00, additional claim fee of \$216.00 and one-month extension fee of \$110.00, (total amount of \$1,226.00) to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.
- Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this petition therefor.
- X Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Missing Parts Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

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METHODS OF PRODUCING CARBON LAYERS ON TITANIUM

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 21, 2004. Please find enclosed the following documents to complete the filing requirements for the above-identified application:

- Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
- 2. Request for One-Month Extension of Time;
- 3. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
 and
- 5. Five (5) Sheets Formal Drawings;
- 6. \$130.00 surcharge (charged to Deposit Account No. 13-2546).

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the surcharge of \$130.00, as well as any deficiencies, and credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.

Respectfully submitted,

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